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(57) Abstract

Compounds having a chemical formula selected from the group consisting of formulae (I), (II) and (III) or a pharmaceutically acceptable thereof, salt wherein: A is independent of any other group and is selected from the group consisting of -CH₂- and -CH2-CH2-; B is independent of any other group and is selected from the group consisting of -(CH₂)_n-, -(CH₂)_n-,

 $-(CH_2O)_{n^-}$, $-(CH_2S)_{n^-}$, $-(OCH_2)_{n^-}$, $-(SCH_2)_{n^-}$, $-(CH_2CH)_{n^-}$, $-(C=C)_{n^-}$, $-CON(R_6)$ -, $-N(R_6)CO$ -, -O-, -S- and $-N(R_6)$ -; R_2 is independent of any other R group and is selected from the group consisting of -H, -COOH, -COR5, -CONR5R6, -(CH2)n-W-(CH2)m-Z-R5, -(CH2)n-W-R5, -Z-R₅, C₁-C₁₀ alkyl, alkenyl and substituted aryl; R₃ is independent of any other R group and is selected from the group consisting of -H, -COOH, -COR5, -CONR5R6, -(CH2)n-W-(CH2)m-Z-R5, -(CH2)n-W-R5, -Z-R5, C1-C10 alkyl, alkenyl and substituted aryl; which inhibit the activity of phospholipase enzymes, particularly cytosolic phospholipase A2. Pharmaceutical compositions comprising such compounds and methods of treatment using such compositions are also disclosed.